

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Tetsujiro KONDO et al.

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PLURAL FUNCTIONAL BLOCKS USING COMMON  
COMMAND

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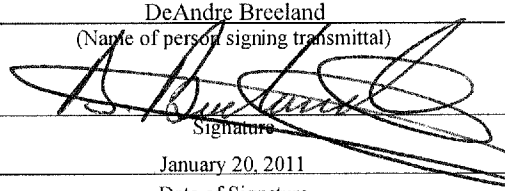
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 7, 2010, having a three-month shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on March 7, 2011, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Applicants submit this response within the two-month

date of February 7, 2011.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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